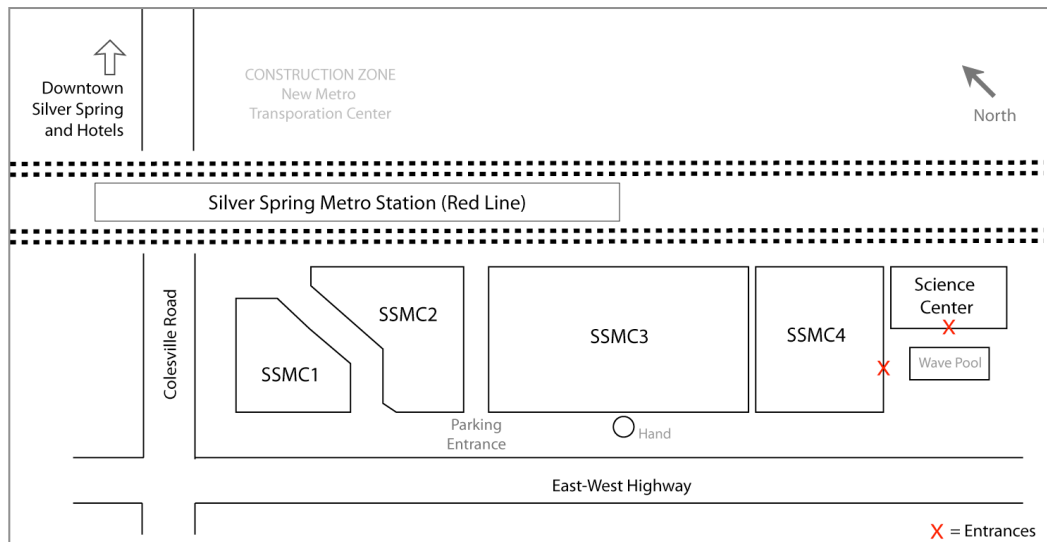


DIRECTIONS and TRAVEL INFORMATION

Map of NOAA Complex



The Science Center is located in the same building as the Auditorium.

By Metro (Highly Recommended)

Take the Metrorail **red line** to Silver Spring Metro Station. For more information about the Metro system, go to: www.wmata.com

- Take the Red Line to Silver Spring
- Go down the elevator or south escalator only (north escalator exits across the street on Colesville Road).
- From station, walk towards East-West Highway
- Turn left by the wavepool for the NOAA Science Center/Auditorium entrance.

By Car

From the DC Beltway (I-495):

- From I-495, take Georgia Avenue south (Exit 31B)
- Follow Georgia Avenue to Colesville Road
- Turn right on Colesville Road, and go past the Metro station and under the train bridge
- Immediately after passing under the tracks, turn left on East-West Highway at traffic light
- The SSMC complex will be on the left

From Baltimore (I-95 N):

- From I-95, follow I-495 (W) towards Silver Spring, MD
- Take Colesville Road exit (30B) to Silver Spring
- Stay on Colesville Road through downtown Silver Spring
- Turn left on East-West Highway after the Metro station

From the District of Columbia:

- Follow 16th Street (N)
- Turn right on Colesville Road (Route 29)
- Turn right on East-West Highway
- The SSMC complex will be on the left

Parking

If you are driving, please note that NOAA in Silver Spring has public fee parking in Parking Garage #58. This is a public parking garage under 1315 East-West Highway (known as SSMC3 or Building 3). The garage often fills by 8:30 a.m., so plan on arriving a little early to have a better chance of finding a parking place. Before leaving your vehicle, note the number of the parking space.

Airports

Traveling to Silver Spring is easy and offers a number of airport options.

Reagan National Airport (DCA) is located approximately 12.6 miles from the NOAA offices in Silver Spring. You can take the metro from this airport to the Silver Spring location. If renting a car,

- Take the ramp to George Washington Memorial Parkway N/GW Pkwy N
- Merge onto GW Parkway traffic and stay on the right hand lane
- Take exit for I-395 N toward Washington
- Turn right at New York Ave NW
- Turn right at N Capitol Street NW
- Make a U-turn at L Street NW
- Make a slight left at Hawaii Avenue NE
- Make a right at N Capitol Street NE/N Capitol Str. NW
- Continue on Blair Road NW (entering Maryland)
- Turn right at Georgia Avenue/US-29
- Make a left at East-West Highway/MD-410
- NOAA-SSMC3 will be on the left hand side on East-West Highway (there is a sculpture of a hand at the entrance to the building). You will see signs for the Parking Garage located under that building.

Washington-Dulles International Airport (IAD) is located approximately 30 miles from the NOAA offices in Silver Spring. If renting a car,

- Take the Dulles Airport Access Road (signs for Washington)
- Take the exit toward Richmond/exit18-19/I-495/Baltimore/VA-123.

- Merge onto VA-267 E (Toll Road)
- Take exit 18 to merge onto Capital Beltway/I-495 N toward Baltimore
- Take exit 31B for MD-97 S/Georgia Avenue toward Silver Spring
- Merge onto Georgia Ave/MD-97 and stay on the right hand lane
- Make a slight right at 16th Street
- Turn left at East-West Highway/MD-410
- NOAA-SSMC3 will be on the left hand side on East-West Highway (there is a sculpture of a hand at the entrance to the building). You will see signs for the Parking Garage located under that building.

Baltimore-Washington International Airport (BWI) is located approximately 32 miles from the NOAA offices in Silver Spring. If renting a car,

- Take I-95 S towards Washington
- Take exit 27 and merge onto the Capital Beltway/I-495W towards Silver Spring
- Take exit 30 and merge onto Colesville Road/US-29 S toward Silver Spring and continue to follow Colesville Road.
- Turn left at East-West Highway/MD-410
- NOAA-SSMC3 will be on the left hand side on East-West Highway (there is a sculpture of a hand at the entrance to the building). You will see signs for the Parking Garage located under that building.

Taxi Information... *Coming Soon*